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In reply to the Examiner's action mailed April 9, 2002, Applicant elects the invention of Group 17 (claims 3, 28, and 32-34), drawn to nucleic acids comprising SEQ ID NO: 17 (human leptin) without traverse.

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Respectfully submitted,

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